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Dear Sir:

Applicant is in receipt of the return postcard identifying the application number for the above-referenced patent application. Applicant has also received the Official Filing Receipt and Notice of Acceptance of Application mailed February 26, 2007. Applicant, however, never received the Notification to File Missing Requirements for this matter, and thus never filed a Declaration and Power of Attorney, in spite of the indication of such on the Notice of Acceptance.

Nevertheless, to move the prosecution of this application forward, Applicant has enclosed the following:

- (1) A duly executed Declaration and Power of Attorney with respect to the above-referenced patent application.

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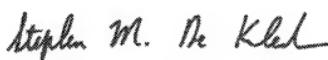
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Respectfully submitted,

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